

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-69 (Canceled).

70. (Currently amended) A method of forming a laminate structure, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a first web, said first web comprising a plurality of first elements, wherein said first elements of said first web are made of a rigid material;

(b) providing a second web, said second web comprising a plurality of second elements, said second elements being alignable with said plurality of first elements, wherein said second elements of said second web are made of a rigid material;

(c) passing said first web and said second web through a lamination nip to fixedly join said first elements and second elements, whereby a laminate structure is formed.

71. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein at least one of said first web and said second web is made by continuous molding.

72. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein each of said first web and said second web is made by continuous molding.

73. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 71 wherein at least one of said first web and said second web is made by continuous rotary extrusion molding.

74. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 72 wherein each of said first web and said second web is made by continuous rotary extrusion molding.

75. (Currently amended) ~~The A method as claimed in claim 70~~ of forming a laminate structure, said method comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing a first web, said first web comprising a plurality of first elements;
- (b) providing a second web, said second web comprising a plurality of second elements, said second elements being alignable with said plurality of first elements, wherein each of said first web and said second web includes elements formed in an orthogonal matrix with multiple elements arrayed across the width of each web; and
- (c) passing said first web and said second web through a lamination nip to fixedly join said first elements and second elements, whereby a laminate structure is formed.

76. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein said lamination nip comprises a pair of rollers.

77. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein each of said first elements is a top piece of an EAS marker housing and wherein each of said second elements is a bottom piece of an EAS marker housing.

78. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 77 further comprising after steps (a) and (b) and before step (c), the steps of dispensing a resonator into each bottom piece and dispensing a biasing element into each top piece.

79. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 77 further comprising after steps (a) and (b) and before step (c), the steps of dispensing a resonator into each bottom piece and dispensing a biasing element and then a separator into each top piece.

80. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 79 wherein said separator dispensing step comprises providing a third web, said third web comprising a plurality of separators,

said separators being alignable with said top pieces, and passing said second web and said third web through a lamination nip to dispense said separators into said top pieces.

81. (New) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein said first elements of said first web and said second elements of said second web are made of a rigid plastic.

82. (New) The method as claimed in claim 70 wherein said first elements of said first web are trough-shaped and wherein said second elements of said second web are trough-shaped.

83. (New) The method as claimed in claim 82 wherein said first elements and said second elements are dimensioned to be joined together by a press-fit at said lamination nip to form closed containers.